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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO BONN AND BERLIN

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1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH KINKEL'S OFFICE AND BEEN REFERRED TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE ACTION OFFICER FOR THE SECRETARY'S VISIT (DANNENBRING, CHIEF, US/CANADA/UK AFFAIRS). DANNENBRING HAS GIVEN US THE FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE VISIT, STRESSING THAT THEY ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER PLANS TO MEET THE SECRETARY ON ARRIVAL THE EVENING OF MAY 20 AND ACCOMPANY HIM TO GYMnich, WHERE THE SECRETARY WILL OVERNIGHT. DINNER (PARTICIPANTS TO BE AGREED UPON) WILL BE FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THEIR PARTIES AS DESIRED. THE GERMANS ASK WILL MRS. KISSINGER ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY, AND WILL OTHER LADIES BE INCLUDED IN THE US PARTY. ADVISE.

3. CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT HAS INDICATED HE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A BREAKFAST FOR THE SECRETARY BEFORE THE SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE FOR BERLIN THE MORNING OF MAY 21. TIME OF THE BREAKFAST WILL DEPEND ON THE SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE SCHEDULE. DANNENBRING ASSUMED THE CHANCELLOR

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WOULD WISH ATTENDANCE AT THE BREAKFAST TO BE VERY RE-

STRICTED, POSSIBLY EVEN CONFINED TO THE CHANCELLOR AND THE SECRETARY THEMSELVES, BUT PARTICULARLY STRESSED THAT THIS WAS SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW ON THE GERMAN SIDE.

4. DANNENBRING SAID THAT, IN THE INTEREST OF PREVENTING LEAKS ON THE SECRETARY'S VISIT FROM BERLIN, THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAD NOT ACTIVELY PURSUED THE DETAILS OF A PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR THE BERLIN PORTION OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT WITH THE BERLIN AUTHORITIES. HE ASSUMED WE WERE STILL THINKING IN TERMS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO BE ADDRESSED BY THE SECRETARY AS THE MAIN ITEM. PRESUMABLY THERE WOULD ALSO BE OPPORTUNITY FOR A GOLDEN BOOK CEREMONY, A MEETING WITH SCHUETZ AND A LUNCH, BEFORE SCHEDULED DEPARTURE AT 1500. DANNENBRING ADDED THAT THE FOREIGN OFFICE WAS GOING ON THE PLANNING ASSUMPTION THAT GENSCHER WOULD ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY TO BERLIN.

5. ON THE VISIT BY PORTUGAL FOREIGN MINISTER ANTUNES TO BONN (MAY 19-21), DANNENBRING SAID THE LAST OFFICIAL ITEM ON ANTUNES' SCHEDULE AS OF NOW WAS A CALL ON PRESIDENT SCHEEL THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 20. NOTHING OFFICIAL WAS PLANNED FOR THE EVENING OF MAY 20, WHEN GENSCHER WOULD BE AT THE SECRETARY'S DISPOSAL. THE SAME WAS TRUE OF THE MORNING OF MAY 21, WHICH ANTUNES WOULD HAVE FREE OF OFFICIAL OBLIGATIONS PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FROM DUSSELDORF AT 1415 HOURS. HE WOULD BE SEEN OFF BY THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, SINCE IT WAS PLANNED THAT GENSCHER WOULD BE WITH THE SECRETARY IN BERLIN.

6. CONTROL OFFICERS FOR THE SECRETARY'S VISIT IN BONN ARE FSO'S FRANCIS J. MEEHAN (SUBSTANCE) AND CLINT A. LAUDERDALE (ADMINISTRATION).
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